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at Starogard Gdanski including
layout of barracks.

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information on an airfield construction battalion at
Starogard Gdanski (N 53-58, E 18-33) 25X1
The report, in addition to general data on the battalion, gives the location
and is accompanied by a sketch showing the layout of the barracks.

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Airfield construction battalion ("BET") at STAROGARD GDANSKI1. Data on the unit

a) The airfield construction Battalion is billeted in a fairly old Barracks complex originally used by the 23rd Mortar Regiment; under the reorganisation this Regiment was disbanded. The Barracks themselves are large enough to accommodate a unit of up to 2,000 men. After a certain amount of modification, motor repair shops and other kinds of repair workshops for machinery used in ground levelling have been installed.

b) The Battalion headquarters is stationed at the Barracks and sends out army construction units to build or reconstruct airfields in the GDANSK, SZCZECIN and KOSZALIN areas. The HQ has vehicles and machinery at its disposition.

c) The Battalion strength varies, depending on the extent of airfield construction, but it usually exceeds ordinary battalion strength. During the summer only a technical platoon, and those in charge of the repair shops and vehicles remain at the Barracks. In winter, from November to March the Battalion personnel are quartered in the Barracks and any newly called-up men do their basic national service infantry training.

2. Location of the Barracks

The Barracks are in the North-west part of the town, North of the STAROGARD - NOWA WIES road, and the North side extends as far as a stream called the WIERZYCA. To the South and West is an extension of the town, while the North and East sides are on the outskirts. The area covered is irregular in shape, about 220 m. long and 200 - 220 wide at its greatest extent.

3. Layout of the Barracks

1) Main entrance, at the South-west corner, from a street branching off from the STAROGARD - POKOCIN road.

2) QM stores, a masonry ground-floor building 40 x 10 m., North of (1)

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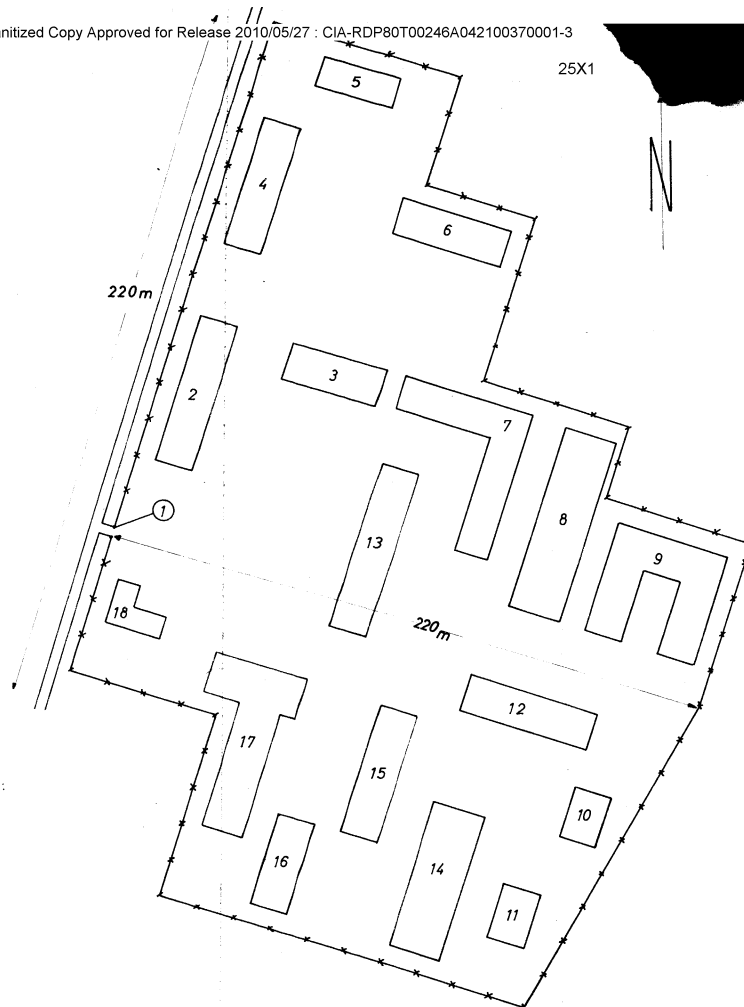
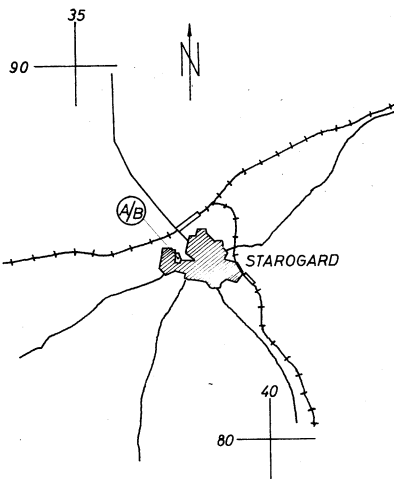
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- 3) Garage, masonry, 25 x 10 m., for cars, East of (2)
- 4) Battalion HQ, a one-storeyed building 35 x 10 m., North of (2) 25X1
- 5) Workshops, 20 x 10 m., for repairing tools; on the North side of the Barracks
- 6) Store for arms and equipment, at the North-east corner, a one-storeyed masonry building 30 x 10 m., with weapons, small arms only, including rifles and a few machine guns, on the ground floor.
- 7) Workshops, adapted from former stables, a ground-floor L-shaped building East of (3), one section 35 x 8 and the other 40 x 8 m.
- 8) Gymnasium, a new building 65 x 25 m., East of (7)
- 9) Main garage, a U-shaped masonry building, at the East corner; the Southern two wings are 25 x 10 m. and the centre part 40 x 12 m.
- 10) Motor workshops, in a masonry building 15 x 10 m., South of (9)
- 11) Instruction rooms, in a wooden hut 20 x 15 m., at the South-east corner.
- 12) Barracks building, masonry, 35 x 10 m., ground-floor only, built in 1954; South of (8)
- 13) Garage, masonry, 50 x 10 m., in the centre of the Barracks area
- 14) Fairly old two-storeyed Barracks building, 40 x 15 m., next to (11)
- 15) New Barracks building, ground-floor, masonry, built in 1954, West of (14)
- 16) Store for various kinds of equipment, a ground-floor masonry building 30 x 10 m., between (15) and (17)
- 17) Men's kitchen and mess, a T-shaped masonry building at the South-west corner, the North section about 15 x 10 m. and the Southern 30 x 10 m.
- 18) Main guard post and gate-keeper's post, an L-shaped masonry building near the main entrance; the two wings are 8 x 6 and 10 x 7 m.

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